(b) if so, the figures thereof for last three years, State-wise; and

(c) whether Government would constitute a Board in each State and at the Centre consisting of people's representatives to monitor those activities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) to (c) The information is being collected from the Ministry of Home Affairs and Department of women and Child Development, who are concerned with the subject and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Exchange of Wakf Land

1915. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the case of exchange of Wakf land with Punjab Agricultural University, Patiala and allotment to Shri Nohar Chand Gupta and Varindra Agro is full of frauds in collusion with some employees;

(b) whether the allotment/agreement is in complete violation of the Wakf Act, 1995, and a virtual sell-out;

(c) if so, whether Government would order an independent inquiry in the whole episode and bring the culprits to book;

(d) the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) to (d) There is no Punjab Agricultural University at Patiala. Exchange of Wakf land with Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana has already been notified Matters relating to allotment of the land to Shri Nohan Chand Gupta and Varindra Agro is being inquired into by a retired High Court Judge.

(e) Does not arise.

Welfare Schemes for Weaker Sections in Assam

1916. SHRI PRAKANTA WARISA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the welfare schemes being formulated and implemented by Government for weaker sections of the society in the State of Assam; and

(b) the annual amount allocated for the purpose for each district of the State and the amount spent during the years 1997-98, 1999-2000 and likely to be allocated during 2000-2001?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) and (b) A statement giving the names of schemes/programmes of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment being implemented in different States/UTs, including the State of Assam, for the welfare and upliftment of Scheduled Castes, other Backward Classes and Minorities, and the amounts released to Assam during 1997-98 and 1999-2000 (uspto 29.02.2000) under each schemes/programme is attached (*See* below). No district wise allocation of funds, nor any advance allocation of funds scheme/ programme-wise is made by the Ministry.

Statement

(*Rs. in Lakhs*)

I. Welfare of Schedule caste

S.No.	Name of the Schemes	Amount released in Assam during 1997-98	1999-2000
1.	Special Central Assistance to Special Component Plan.	142.18	695.31
2.	Assistance to Scheduled castes Development Corporations (SCDCs)	15.37	0.00
3.	National Scheme of Liberation and Rehabilitation of scavengers and their dpendents	0.00	0.00
4.	Post Matric Scholarship for SC/ST students	0.00	2334.25
5.	Pre-Matric Scholarship to the children of those engaged in unclean occupations	0.00	0.00
6.	Construction of Hostels for SC Girls	9.00	3.50
7.	Construction of Hostels for SC Boys	5.50	5.00
8.	Upgradation of merit of SC/ST students ST students	3.57	3.45

S.No.	Name of the Schemes	Amount released in Assam during 1997-98	1999-2000
9.	Book Bank	0.00	0.58
10.	Coaching and Allied Scheme for SC/ST students	0.00	0.00
11.	Implementation of PCR and Atrocities Act	3.00	0.00
12.	Grant-in-aid to NGOs	1.63	21.66
II.	*Welfare of Scheduled Tribes*		
1.	Boys Hostels for Scheduled Tribes	16.00	-
2.	Girls Hostels for Scheduled Tribes	16.00	-
3.	Ashram Schools in Tribal Sub Plan Areas	-	-
4.	Vocational Training in Tribal Areas	77.15	-
5.	Grant under 1st Provision to Article 275(1) of the Constitution.	305.00	280.12
6.	Special Central Assistance for Tribal Sub-Plan	1460.00	816.34
7.	Research & Training	23.27	8.65
8.	Grant-in-aid to Voluntary Organisations	7.53	6.00
III.	*Welfare of Backward Classes*		
1.	Pre-Matric Scholarship	-	-
2.	Post-Matric Scholarship	-	-
3.	Construction of Hostel	-	-
4.	Pre-examination coaching for OBCs.	-	-
5.	Grant-in-aid to NGOs	-	-
IV.	Welfare of Minorities.		
1.	Pre-examination coaching for weaker sections based on Economic criteria.	Nil	6.50 lakhs